Weeding out of illegal foreign residents

1587. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi Police with the help of its counterparts in the neighbouring States proposes to launch a coordinate effort to weed out illegal foreign residents from the Capital;

(b) if so, whether a large number of illegal foreign residents are staying in NCR towns and beyond the reach of security agencies; and

(c) if so, the facts thereof and to what extent the joint efforts of Delhi Police and neighbouring State police will weed out such illegal foreign residents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) to (c) The State Governments and Union Territory Administrations have been delegated powers under the Foreigners Act, 1946 to detect and deport the illegal immigrants found residing in their respective areas. Delhi Police, during the current year (upto 31 st October), deported 2455 foreign nationals found to be staying illegally in the National Capital Territory of Delhi.

Publishing and releasing advertisement against NHRC and EC

1588. SHRIMATI SARLA MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the advertisements appeared in various newspapers in Gujarat issued by "Gujarat Gaurav Samity" maligning the constitutional bodies like NHRC and EC as being partial to the minorities;

(b) if so, whether such advertisement can be crime under Section 153,153(A), 153(B) and 298 of the IPC;

(c) if so, whether any case registered against the people responsible for releasing and publishing such an advertisement;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (e) The question whether such an advertisement attracts the provisions of law falls within the purview of the State Government and as per information received from them the matter is under their legal scrutiny.

Anti-Minority statements by Gujarat Chief Minister

1589. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had taken the issue seriously of anti-minority statements made by Gujarat Chief Minister during his Gaurav Yatra and denied to provide these tapes to the National Commission for Minorities;

(b) if so, whether Government had instructed the State Government to provide these tapes to the NCM;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reaction of Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) National Commission for Minorities had requested the Government of Gujarat to send the full text of speeches allegedly made against the minority community. However, as per information received from the Government of Gujarat, the reply has not yet been sent by them.

(b) to (d) The Commission had not sought the intervention of Government of India and therefore, there was no occasion for the Union Government to issue any instruction.

Ban on VHP and Bajrang Dal

†1590. DR. PRABHA THAKUR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what action Government have taken for imposing a ban on unbecoming conduct and speeches made by the leaders of Vishwa Hindu Parishad and Bajrang Dal;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.